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LETTER DATED 28 JUNE 1995 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to present to you the attached letter, of today's date, from my Minister for Foreign Affairs addressed to you.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ivan Z. MISIC
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Annex

Letter dated 28 June 1995 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to the President of the Security Council

In our letter dated 14 June 1995 (S/1995/483) and as noted in Security Council resolution 998 (1995), we responded to and issued our sovereign consent to the deployment of the "rapid reaction capability" as a reinforcement for the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR). In our previous letter of 29 March 1995 (S/1995/245) and as also noted in resolution 982 (1995), we outlined our concerns regarding the lack of implementation and erosion of the United Nations mandate in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. These concerns have not been addressed so far. In fact, there has been a continuing and accelerated erosion of the implementation of the United Nations mandate since our letter of 29 March.

Most recently, the "safe area - exclusion zone" in and around Sarajevo has been totally vacated and left unenforced by UNPROFOR in contradiction of existing Security Council resolutions and decisions of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). This fact is all but confirmed and sanctioned in the Secretary-General's letter of 23 June 1995 to H.E. Willy Claes, Secretary-General of NATO. Furthermore, UNPROFOR, and by extension NATO, on at least two occasions refused to enforce the "no-fly zone" as specifically mandated by resolution 816 (1993). We take note that resolution 998 (1995) specifically reaffirmed the existing mandate of UNPROFOR and commitment to implement such mandate in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. We are disappointed that recent actions have not matched the words expressed therein, and have been inconsistent with the terms of resolution 998 (1995) and our consent given thereto. This lack of action has provided us with a most unfavourable impression regarding the commitment of the rapid reaction force, and overall, UNPROFOR's will to implement the relevant Security Council resolutions. Once again, this perception has been confirmed by the letter of Mr. Yasushi Akashi to the Karadzic Serbs.

Therefore, we hereby give the formal notice of our intention to review the extension of our sovereign consent to UNPROFOR in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. In this context, we formally request consultations with the Security Council, the Secretary-General and his representatives, regarding the intentions and actual measures in implementing the relevant Security Council resolutions. Furthermore, we are prepared to consider all relevant contingencies consistent with the review of our consultations.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Minister for Foreign Affairs

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